

No. R-504. House concurrent resolution congratulating the 2016 Mill River Union High School Division II championship cheerleading team.

(H.C.R.350)

Offered by: Representatives Potter of Clarendon, Burditt of West Rutland, Canfield of Fair Haven, Carr of Brandon, Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs, Cupoli of Rutland City, Devereux of Mount Holly, Fagan of Rutland City, Gage of Rutland City, Haas of Rochester, Helm of Fair Haven, Komline of Dorset, McCoy of Poultney, Russell of Rutland City, Shaw of Pittsford, Tate of Mendon, and Terenzini of Rutland Town

Whereas, from the season's first cheerleading competition, Mill River Union High School (MRU) exhibited a mastery of the athleticism, enthusiasm, timing, and of course cheering needed for success in the sport of cheerleading as the team won both the Central Vermont and the Vermont Cheer Coaches competitions, and

Whereas, with an already proven record, it was hardly surprising that MRU clinched the State Championship at Vergennes, earning the coveted Division II title, the team's first State championship since 2001, and

Whereas, the Division II championship entitled MRU to compete in the New England Cheerleading Competition, where, despite having only eight on the mat, the smallest number of any other team in its division, MRU became the first Vermont team debuting at the New England event to earn a top-ten finish, and

Whereas, the superb MRU team members included Kelsey Goodell, Lindsey Pratt, Alyssa Chapin, Rachel Uhler, Shania Perham, Emma Steenbergen, Kassidy Buley, Samantha McCoy, and Ashleigh Baldwin, and

Whereas, Head Coach Tabitha Pohl-Moore, Assistant Coach Rhonda Hart, and manager Megan Chapin each played a critical role in the team's victory-filled season, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly congratulates the 2016 Mill River Union High School Division II championship cheerleading team, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Mill River Union High School.